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COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS ON THE TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods
(8-18 December 1997)

PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE FOURTEENTH SESSION

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 10 a.m. on Monday, 8 December 1997

1. Adoption of the agenda

2. Draft amendments to the Model Regulations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

   (a) Tanks (Part 3, Chapters 4.2 and 6.6)

   (b) Use of packagings and IBCs (Parts 1, 3 and Chapter 4.1)

   (c) Other packaging and IBC matters (Chapters 6.1 to 6.5)

   (d) Other draft amendments (to be considered in the order of parts and chapters) (except Class 7 related amendments)

3. Incorporation of provisions concerning radioactive material in the Model Regulations

4. Global harmonization of systems of classification and labelling of chemicals

   (a) General

   (b) Physical hazards

   (c) Health hazards

   (d) Hazards to the environment

   (e) Labelling

   (f) Other matters

5. Relations with other organizations

6. Other business

7. Adoption of the report

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Note 1: At its nineteenth session, the Committee of Experts elected M. S. Benassai (Italy) and Mr. F. Wybenga (United States of America) respectively Chairman and Vice-Chairman for the 1997-1998 biennium (ST/SG/AC.10/23, para. 166).

Note 2: The deadline for submission of proposals is 26 September 1997. Documents must be received at the latest on that date in paper form or electronic diskette form (or via E.mail services). The quality of fax transmission is not suitable for reproduction; therefore documents received by 26 September in the form of fax messages only will not be considered as documents received in due time.

Note 3: For planning purposes, authors of proposals are invited to inform the secretariat at the latest by 11-12 September 1997 of the number of documents they intend to submit and the expected number of pages for each document.

Note 4: A working group on the transport of low critical temperature gases in tanks will be convened in parallel on Monday 8 December in the afternoon after discussion of item 3(a) in plenary session. The working group will continue working in parallel during the first week as necessary and will report back to the Plenary.

Note 5: Submissions should be concise and as short as possible; they should include a justification. The number of proposals in a single document should be limited; they should all relate to the same subject under one agenda item.

Note 6: The morning and afternoon sessions on 15 and 16 December will be reserved for the working group on the harmonization of classification criteria (physical hazards). This group is convened in the context of global harmonization of classification of criteria, cooperation with the International Labour Organization (ILO) and the Inter-Organization Programme on Sound Management of Chemicals (IOMC) and follow-up to the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED). Therefore this group should be composed of experts familiar with transport legislation and other relevant legislations (work safety, environment, consumer protection).

Note 7: An annotated agenda will be circulated at a later stage on the basis of proposals received by 26 September 1997.

Note 8: The following documents were carried forward to the next session:

ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/1997/7, -/C.3/1997/10, -/C.3/1997/19, -/C.3/1997/27, -/C.3/1997/36, -/C.3/1997/37, -/C.3/1997/43;
ST/SG/AC.10//C.3/R.613/Rev.1, -/C.3/R.635, -/C.3/R.661, -/C.3/R.664, -/C.3/R.707, -/C.3/R.708, -/C.3/R.764;
ST/SG/AC.10/R.473, -/R.507, -/R.509 and -/R.532.

For reasons of economy, delegations are invited to keep their own copy and to bring them to the meeting.

Note 9: A provisional timetable is reproduced overleaf.

Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (Fourteenth session)
Provisional Timetable

Monday 8 December		Tuesday 9 December		Wednesday 10 December		Thursday 11 December		Friday 12 December		Monday 15 December		Tuesday 16 December		Wednesday 17 December		Thursday 18 December	
am	pm	am	pm	am	pm	am	pm	am	pm	am	pm	am	pm	am	pm	am	pm
agenda item		agenda item		agenda item		agenda item		agenda item		agenda item		agenda item		agenda item		agenda item	
1, 2(a), 2(b)		2 (b)		2 (b), 2 (c)		2 (c), 2 (d)		2 (d), 3, 2 (a)		4 (a), 4 (b)		4 (b)		4 (a), 4(c) to 4 (f), 5, 6		7	
		WG on the transport of low critical temperature gases in tanks															